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By the way, what is the date
set for the examination of the
conduct of Mr. Gallagher?

"That's no slouch of an An-
nals club that Gov. Folk has
organized," remarks the Paris
Mercury.

Only a few faint echoes of the
police row in Kansas City are
now heard; but it will be a long
time before there will be absolute
silence on the subject.

Judge Kenesaw M. Landis un-
like some other federal judges
does not seem to think that his
sole duty is to set aside state
measures unfavorable to corpora-
tions.

The talk of Crews as a running
mate for Hadley has died down.
It was rather a poor move for a
Democrat to start the report. It
will be a long time before the
negroes refuse to stand hitched.

Unless the papers have pub-
lished spurious interviews, and
there is no reason to believe they
have, it seems that "next
friends" will have a hard time
proving Mrs. Eddy mentally de-
ficient.

While the Governor was ex-
ercising his activities in Kansas
City he might have given some of
his attention to the base ball
team. A reorganization of that
outfit would meet with hearty
approval on all sides.

The operating force in the Lex-
ington office of the Western Un-
ion Telegraph Company is still
working and Manager Loomis is
not worried in the least. Small
work and good pay makes Frank
a bright boy.

Frank E. Rockefeller has
shown good form for the lecture
platform. A lecture on "People
I Have Met and Things I Have
Lived With" by him would insure
a record attendance at any Chau-
taqua.

Mrs. Stanford White has an-
nounced her forthcoming mar-
riage to Charles F. McKim, the
business partner of her late
husband. Mrs. White can not
be blamed for her desire to
change her name, and in a hurry,
too.

W. D. Haywood recently visit-
ed the Chicago Press Club and a
number of the members of that
organization immediately pre-
pared a protest to be presented to
the board of directors. Whether
or not Haywood was guilty, this
action by the members of the
Press Club seems uncalled for.

Who says Lexington is dull?
On Wednesday evening there
was a show at the New Grand,
another at the Nickle and an or-
gan recital at the Catholic
church. A lawn social was
scheduled for the same evening,
but the weather caused it to be
postponed.

The death of Prof. E. C. White
is a loss to the state of Missouri.
Prof. White was one of the fore-
most educators of the state and
largely on account of his efforts
the Kansas City High School
reached a degree of excellence so
that it was the model followed by
smaller high schools throughout
the West.

A union that should meet
with encouragement on every
hand is the National Union of
Railway Trackmen. Through
its official organ, The Trackman,
it is making a hard fight against
certain railroads, the Missouri
Pacific in particular. And the
fight is not for higher wages and
shorter hours, but for better

tracks. Rotten ties, bad rails
and poor bridges are causing
the loss of hundreds of lives every
year. To remedy this evil the
trackmen's union has chosen as
a task.

Collier's after wreaking havoc
among the fraudulent patent
medicine concerns is now out
after the scalps of the fake
investment companies. It is a
righteous fight and the pity is
that the class of people who get
bit on bad get-rich-quick invest-
ments is not, as a rule, the class
that reads Collier's.

The season for foot ball news
is opening. From now until the
first of September the college
students who write for the news-
papers at so much an inch will
earn cigarette money by the reg-
ular fiction as to what old men
will be back and what promising
high school athletes will enter
college.

The spread of prohibition in
the South is attributable to the
negro problem. The Southerner
likes to have his whisky, but he
must have the negro laborer. As
long as there is whisky on hand
the negro is not a laborer but a
sot. When no liquor is obtain-
able the negro is willing to work
pretty well. So the Southern
people, being economically pro-
gressive, are giving up liquor.

One of the most encouraging
features of the telegraphers'
strike is the action of the high
union officials. Gompers, Mit-
chell and Keefe advised the
operators to seek an armistice
and then discuss the matters of
the controversy. The advice did
not meet with a very enthusiastic
reception but it showed that the
leaders of unionism are sane
men.

The Bunceton Eagle is per-
petrating some pretty unique ed-
itorial upon its patient readers.
Here are three of them:

Somebody asks the origin of
the Chautauqua. It may have
been she-talk-you.

A good many people are "snap-
pish" and in the habit of "growl-
ing" during dog days.

Judge Landis fined the Stand-
ard Oil Company, \$20,240,000
Saturday. Good. That "Land's
on 'em" some. They should
have been "landed on" long ago.

You wouldn't believe it, but
ordinarily the Eagle is one of the
best country papers in the state.

AN OPPORTUNITY.

There is a great deal of talk
now about the platform to be
adopted at the Democratic con-
vention next summer, and various
and sundry are the planks that
the party leaders are trying to
get worked in.

The free silver issue is dead;
government ownership of rail-
roads, Mr. Bryan admits, is pre-
mature; regulation of railroads is
a great thing, but the separate
states seem to be handling that
proposition satisfactorily. The
one thing upon which all Demo-
crats are agreed is that the pre-
sent tariff restrictions should be
removed.

On the tariff question the
Democratic party is united and
the Republican party divided.
The independents are all with
the revisionists. It is practically
certain, from present indication,
that the stand-patters will dom-
inate the next Republican con-
vention. Even in progressive
Oklahoma the Republicans in
state convention asserted their
belief that "the tariff should not
be tampered with."

Now if the Democrats will
make their main fight on the
tariff proposition and leave less
important things in the back-
ground, they will have a chance
to use all their ammunition against
the enemy and not waste energy
in keeping members of their own
party in line. The spectacle of a
united Democratic party is
indignificant to contemplate and

present indications are that we
shall witness such a sight in
1908.

KNOTT'S REPORT.

The action of Railroad Com-
missioner Knott in refusing to
take dictation from the Missouri
Pacific has made him one of the
big men of the state. Wight-
man as was anticipated voted for
the railroad's interest. Of Og-
lesby better things were expect-
ed. Elected by a wave of popular
sympathy because after losing a
leg he had lost also a suit against
the Missouri Pacific, he was
thought to be the last man who
would betray public safety for
the benefit of the railroad which
had caused him such a loss. But
he did it and with Wightman re-
ported the tracks in good con-
dition.

Mr. Knott, however, displayed
the hardihood to make a minority
report to the effect that there
were miles of bad track on the
Missouri Pacific lines and invit-
ing the Governor to appoint a
committee of men representing
various walks of life to go over
the track and examine it carefull-
ly.

Then what did Mr. Wightman
do? If his and Mr. Oglesby's
report had been correct, he
would have been glad to have any
body of men go over the road and
corroborate the report of his in-
spection. But instead he wrote
a letter to the Governor recom-
mending that Mr. Knott's actions
while on the inspecting tour be
looked into. What difference
does it make if Mr. Knott was
guilty of misconduct on the trip?
His report was much more
specific and convincing than any
statements made by Messrs.
Wightman and Oglesby and,
unless that committee is appoint-
ed and substantiates the major-
ity report, people of the state
will believe Mr. Knott is right.

THE SAGAMORE HILL BEAR.

The spectacle of Birnam Wood,
says the Chicago Tribune, com-
ing to Dunsinane did not strike
more terror to the hearts of the
followers of Macbeth than was
brought to the guards at Saga-
more Hill when they saw a bear
leisurely climbing along the roof
of President Roosevelt's house.
Their first thought must have
been that it was not in reality a
bear but a nature faker, bent on
such malicious doings as only a
nature faker can contrive.
Luckily for the bear—if it was a
bear—the president was asleep
and before he was awakened,
three hours later, the intruder
had disappeared, leaving his
tracks as evidence of his visit.

The purport of the bear's visit
to Sagamore Hill may be differ-
ently interpreted. It is possible
that he came to pay such respect
to the president as the conquer-
ee frequently pay to the conquer-
or, that he recognized in the
president a powerful enemy
whom it would be wise to propi-
tiate, and that he argued that a
conciliatory attitude and a sub-
missive demeanor might save his
life. Or it may be that he came
as a special emissary of the Ted-
dy bears to protest against the
adoption of these emblems and
to affirm the unwillingness of
bears in general and himself in
particular to take an active part
in anything that conduces to race
suicide. All this on the presump-
tion that the bear was really an
inhabitant of the forest and not
the Wall street article or a nature
faker.

Until the elucidating chase, led
by the president and Mr. Bur-
roughs, establishes the fact that
the visitor was not a bear, or
even a creditable imitation of a
bear it is fair to the guards to
accept their version of the ad-
venture. One is loath to believe
that a nature faker, however im-
pudent and callous, would make
a descent on Oyster bay for the
purpose of precipitating a dis-
pute which must inevitably
result in his confusion and

It is much pleasanter to believe
that the nocturnal prowler was a
genuine Long Island bear—not
an unprincipled marauder, but
a square dealing, desirable bear,
with pacific motives and gentle
impulses.

COMMUTATIONS AND PARDONS.

As was expected, the Governor
commuted the sentence of
"Lord" Barrington from death
to imprisonment for life. "After
a careful examination of the
record in this case," he says "I
am satisfied that the defendant
is guilty, and I would feel in-
clined to allow the sentence to be
carried out, were it not for the
statute enacted by the last Gen-
eral Assembly virtually abolish-
ing the death penalty except in
extreme cases, which, while it
does not apply legally in this
case, the prisoner should have
the benefit of in this application;
and were it not, further, for the
vigorous protest of two of the
Supreme Judges who passed on
this case when it was before the
Supreme Court on appeal, and
who insist that the death penalty
should not be inflicted."

Evidently it is the opinion of
the Governor that the case of
Barrington is not an extreme
case and that the opinion of the
two Supreme Judges should have
more weight than the opinion of
the others who thought, as did
the jurors and most of those
who followed the case, that the
death penalty was deserved.

After the commutation of the
sentence of Aggie Meyers, for
which there was hardly any ex-
cuse, the mollification of Barrin-
ton's punishment seems logical.
But still it will by no means meet
with universal approval. It is
indicative of a very dangerous
tendency of today—to be as easy
on the criminal as possible.

It is easy to argue against
capital punishment. Theoretic-
ally life imprisonment is con-
ducive to more good than hang-
ing and the taking of human life
is distasteful.

There is, however, no such
thing as life imprisonment in
America today. The man under
sentence always has an oppor-
tunity to get a pardon from a soft
hearted governor or to escape
from prison.

Through the efforts of humani-
tarians, moreover, the prison
life has had nearly all of its harsh
features removed, so that now
there are many attractive fea-
tures to the state prisons. The
convicted criminal is sure of a
bed, food and work to his liking
if he knows any trade.

The prospects for "Lord" Bar-
rington and Aggie Meyers are
not so bad. Each will probably
remain in the penitentiary for
several years doing pleasant
work and gaining strength
through the keeping of regular
hours. Then each will get a par-
don. Aggie might go on the
stage and the "Lord" could pro-
fitably go back to bar-keeping.

Everything tends to make the
lot of the criminal easier. The
safety of the people is forgotten
and great care is taken to see
that no one is punished too
severely. At the rate we are
going we shall soon get to the
point where the only reason for
not committing murder will be
the sixth commandment.

We clip the following from the
local columns of the Cole County
Democrat, which may be a sur-
prise to many Missourians:

"Gov. Folk was in Jefferson
City Thursday, attending to
some routine official business."

We presume the Governor will
pay but little attention to "rou-
tine business" in Jefferson City
until the Chautauqua season is
over and the Presidential and
Senatorial questions have been
settled; but still we get along as
well if not better, when he is out
of the state.—Boonville Adver-
tiser.

Cows to Pasture.
The grass and spring water

A mover with his wife, three child-
ren, three horses and a covered
wagon was crossing a bridge this
side of Wellington Tuesday about
noon when the bridge gave way and
bridge, mover, wife, children, horses
and wagon went into the creek.
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trouble the mover extricated his
effects.

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W. G. M'CAUSLAND

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lawn social on the lawn of S. N.
King on Highland Ave., Tuesday eve-
ning, Aug. 20. The public is invited
8-12td

The government crop report, is-
sued July 10th, gives a summary of
the condition of the principal cereal
crops on the first day of July, current
year, and those who have been antici-
pating a great shortage on account
of the late and cold spring will por-
ably be surprised to learn that, in the
main, the acreage planted about
equals that of last year and the
condition of the crops is at present
practically the same that it was on
the first day of July, 1906, the gen-
eral average for a term of years
being also well maintained.—Ex.

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